

State of Hawaii  
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
Division of Aquatic Resource  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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Board of Land and Natural Resources  
State of Hawaii  
Honolulu, Hawaii

**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO AMEND A DLNR/RCUH AGREEMENT (CONTRACT  
NO. 52850) BY PROVIDING \$90,000 FOR AN INCREASED SCOPE OF SERVICES FOR  
THE DIVISION OF AQUATIC RESOURCES' ALIEN INVASIVE SPECIES PROJECT**

Submitted herewith for your consideration is a request to amend a Project Agreement (Contract No. 52850) between the Board of Land and Natural Resources and the Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii (RCUH). Amendment No. 3 provides \$90,000 to fund additional tasks in the scope of services for the Division of Aquatic Resources' Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) project. The time period of the contract, October 1, 2005 through June 30, 2007, remains the same.

The Hawaii Invasive Species Council is authorizing \$90,000 for the project through LNR 402, Appropriation 314, Special Land Development Fund – Watershed Projects. The funds will be used to provide support for a Hilo component being added to the experimental AIS response team. This component of the team will conduct research on the island of Hawaii, and help in the development of a statewide monitoring protocol for alien invasive species. This section of the project will develop the tools required to scientifically monitor alien species populations in known “hot spot” areas statewide while also detecting new introductions at an early stage of introduction. Research will also include mapping distributions of alien algae in Hilo Harbor as well as invasive species distributions in Waipae Tidepools Marine Life Conservation District, and assistance on research with alien Mullet.

Approval to amend the Project Agreement has been requested from Governor Linda Lingle, through the Department of Budget and Finance. Preliminary approval as to form for Amendment No. 3 is being requested from the Department of the Attorney General.

RECOMMENDATION:

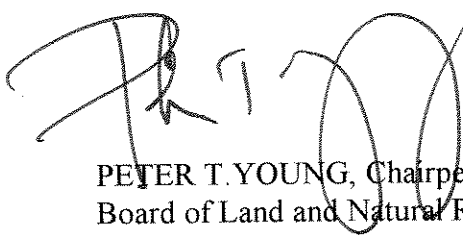
"That the Board authorize the Chairperson to negotiate and, subject to necessary approvals, amend Contract No. 52850 between the Board and the RCUH for the Alien Invasive Species Project."

Respectfully submitted,

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DAN POLHEMUS, Administrator  
Division of Aquatic Resources

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:

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PETER T. YOUNG, Chairperson  
Board of Land and Natural Resources